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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act extending the limitation of certain criminal actions
- 2 committed on or with minors.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 802.2B, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code
- 2 2021, is amended to read as follows:
- 3 An information or indictment for the following offenses
- 4 committed on or with a person who is under the age of eighteen
- 5 years shall be found within ten fifteen years after the person
- 6 upon whom the offense is committed attains eighteen years
- 7 of age, or if the person against whom the information or
- 8 indictment is sought is identified through the use of a DNA
- 9 profile, an information or indictment shall be found within
- 10 three years from the date the person is identified by the
- 11 person's DNA profile, whichever is later:
- 12 Sec. 2. Section 802.2C, Code 2021, is amended to read as
- 13 follows:
- 14 802.2C Kidnapping.
- 15 An information or indictment for kidnapping in the first,
- 16 second, or third degree committed on or with a person who
- 17 is under the age of eighteen years shall be found within
- 18 ten fifteen years after the person upon whom the offense is
- 19 committed attains eighteen years of age, or if the person
- 20 against whom the information or indictment is sought is
- 21 identified through the use of a DNA profile, an information or
- 22 indictment shall be found within three years from the date the
- 23 person is identified by the person's DNA profile, whichever is
- 24 later.
- Sec. 3. Section 802.2D, Code 2021, is amended to read as
- 26 follows:
- 27 802.2D Human trafficking.
- 28 An information or indictment for human trafficking in
- 29 violation of section 710A.2, committed on or with a person
- 30 who is under the age of eighteen years shall be found within
- 31 ten fifteen years after the person upon whom the offense is
- 32 committed attains eighteen years of age, or if the person
- 33 against whom the information or indictment is sought is
- 34 identified through the use of a DNA profile, an information or
- 35 indictment shall be found within three years from the date the

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- 1 person is identified by the person's DNA profile, whichever is 2 later.
- 3 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 6 This bill extends the limitation of certain criminal actions 7 committed on or with minors.
- 8 The bill provides that an information or indictment for the
- 9 following criminal offenses committed on or with a person who
- 10 is under the age of 18 years shall be found within 15 years
- 11 after the person upon whom the offense is committed attains
- 12 18 years of age: lascivious acts with a child; assault with
- 13 intent to commit sexual abuse; indecent contact with a child;
- 14 lascivious conduct with a minor; sexual misconduct with a
- 15 juvenile; child endangerment; sexual exploitation of a minor;
- 16 kidnapping in the first, second, or third degree; and human
- 17 trafficking. If the person against whom the information or
- 18 indictment is sought is identified through the use of a DNA
- 19 profile, an information or indictment shall be found within
- 20 three years from the date the person is identified by the
- 21 person's DNA profile, or 15 years after the person upon whom
- 22 the offense is committed attains 18 years of age.
- 23 Current law provides that an information or indictment for
- 24 the listed criminal offenses in the bill committed on or with a
- 25 person who is under the age of 18 years shall be found within
- 26 10 years after the person upon whom the offense is committed
- 27 attains 18 years of age.

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